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Japan Holds Key to Arms Conference

Success of Present Program Waits On Tokio Reply

[By United Press] WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—The eyes of the arms conference is still turned toward Japan. The success of the present program depends on the official Tokio reply on the compromise program of the "Big Three" statesmen. The Chinese are plainly dissatisfied with the status of the Chinese settlement. The Shantung mediation group meets again today.

Two Chinese Convicted of First Degree Murder

Jury Recommends Death Penalty for Hughie Sing and Gee Jon

The trial of Gee Jon and Hughie Sing at Mina for the murder of Wong Lee, and aged Chinaman, which was in progress the best part of last week resulted in a verdict of first degree murder for both of the defendants, according to word received in this city.

It is understood that the jury recommended the death penalty for both defendants.

Buck Sue, an uncle of Sing, who came in this morning, was not sure of the jury's recommendation, but stated that both men had been found guilty. He stated that they had not been sentenced and that a motion for a new trial had been made. In case of this being denied it is anticipated an appeal to the supreme court will be taken.

The crime for which the Chinamen have been found guilty was committed August 27th. Hughie, with Gee Jon, left Reno in a hired automobile, passing through this city. On arriving at Mina Hughie directed Jon to the home of the aged Chinaman, calling him to the door, where Jon shot him. The two then left for Reno, where they were arrested the following day.

The trouble grew out of a tong war which had stirred up the Chinese of California and Nevada, with several killings in California and several attempts in Nevada. Following their arrest the two were taken to Mina, where their tong provided attorneys for their defense, and a hard battle was fought for their release.

The most interest in Carson centers about Hughie Sing, the boy in the plot. He was born and reared in this city and attended the local high school, associating with his white brothers both in play and business. When he was selected by his tong to assist in the murder plot none of his intimate Chinese friends knew that he belonged to

the order, and it was only when the arrest followed that it was realized that he was in a tight place. Up to the time of the killing, Hughie was regarded as good as the average boy.

It was thought that at the trial it would be shown the young Chinaman was only an accessory to the crime, for he undoubtedly had been persuaded to join the tong and also talked into the murder. It is evident that he was convicted as a principal to the crime. It is understood that sentence will be passed next week.

The last session of the legislature provided that death sentences should be carried out by means of lethal gas, and should Judge Walsh impose the death sentence this will undoubtedly be the method of execution, which would be the first of the kind in the United States.

INDICTED GOVERNOR ASKS INDICTMENTS BE QUASHED

[By United Press] WAUKEGAN, Ill., Dec. 5.—Governor Small, charged with looting the state treasury, asked today that the indictments against him be thrown out of court on the grounds that the grand jury which returned them was illegally drawn.

The arguments to quash the indictments started this afternoon.

TRAINS COLLIDE; MANY CASUALTIES

[By United Press] PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 5.—Thirteen victims of a train collision near Newton today were brought to the hospital here.

Several are dead, it is believed nine, but the number has not been definitely determined yet, the Philadelphia and Reading railroad officials stated this afternoon.

INSANITY GARDNER'S GROUNDS OF DEFENSE

[By United Press] PHOENIX, Ariz., Dec. 5.—Gardner pleaded not guilty today to two charges of mail robbery on the grounds of mental abnormality.

Dolly Gardner, his wife, leading the defense witnesses, will advance the theory of insanity.

SUPREME COURT DECISION

During the day the supreme court rendered an opinion in the case of Robert Vickers, appellant, vs. Victoria Vickers.

This is a divorce case in which the respondent secured a decree. The supreme court upheld the lower court of Washoe county and a rehearing was asked. This latest opinion refuses the rehearing.

The opinion is by Coleman, J., concurred in by the other members of the court.

Congress Convenes In Regular Session

President Sends Message, Presenting Budget Legislation

[By United Press] WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—Congress opened its regular session promptly at noon today. Both houses appointed committees to notify President Harding they were ready to receive recommendations.

First National Budget Submitted
[By Herbert W. Walker, United Press staff correspondent.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—President Harding today gave notice to the world powers here for the arms limitation conference that if this great international parley fails he believes the United States should expend more than \$800,000,000 on its army and navy during the year ending June 30, 1923.

Submitting to congress the first national budget prepared by Budget Director Dawes, President Harding estimated that the nation's two arms of defense should expend \$801,656,107 in the fiscal year 1923—or more than three times the pre-war appropriations of approximately \$250,000,000. The estimates, which were framed without regard for any limitation of armament that may result from the conference, are about \$66,000,000 less than is being expended this year. The president in this respect is following his policy that the United States cannot make a big cut in its military and naval appropriations until all the powers definitely agree to do likewise.

The federal government during the year ending June 30, 1923, will cost the people of the United States approximately \$3,500,000,000, Harding estimated.

Although this amount is about three times the cost of the federal govern-

ment before the war, the president pointed out that the estimated expenditures for the fiscal year of 1923 would be \$2,032,285,962.30 less than the payments from the federal purse for 1921, during which year he assumed office. The 1923 expenditures, he said, would be \$462,167,639 less than for the present result of 1923 fiscal operations.

Harding submitted to congress estimates of appropriations for the fiscal year of 1923; and estimated expenditures and receipts for the same period. Despite stringent economy, the government on the basis of estimates submitted will face a deficit of \$167,571,977 as result of 1923 fiscal operations.

Total receipts of the government during 1923 were estimated at \$3,338,182,750, while expenditures, actual cash paid out of the treasury, were placed at \$3,505,754,727. Appropriations asked for today total \$3,801,113,659.53, but this includes \$576,238,066 in postal appropriations, which will be paid from postal revenues. This leaves a net total of \$3,224,875,593.53. The difference between this amount and the actual cash expenditure will be made up by appropriations which continue from year to year.

This year, the budget report shows, the federal government will expend \$3,967,922,366, as compared with \$5,943,453,663, leaving a deficit to start the new fiscal year of 1923 of \$24,468,703; while receipts last year of \$5,624,932,960, exceeded expenditures by \$86,892,271.61.

The president's message reveals that Dawes was able to reduce the first federal budget \$122,806,310.95 below the amounts asked by the departments.

Borah Takes Fling at Harding's "Association"

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—"It is not what you call it, but what it is that counts," declared Senator Borah (Rep., Idaho) in launching the first attack upon the Harding Association of Nations.

"The proposed Association of Nations," he said, "has not yet been reduced to form nor yet defined. But from what one gathers here and there it is the old League of Nations with possibly some reservations under another name. It will be engaged in precisely the same kind of work and doing the same things that were proposed by the league.

"Fundamentally and in the practical workings of the Association of Nations it will not differ from the League of Nations. I see no reason, therefore, why the forty-three nations which have signed the League of Nations should be asked to abandon it and transfer their names to an Association of Nations.

"If we want to go into this kind of a proposition there is no reason why we should not experiment with the one they have. It is claimed by the advocates of the league that it has been of service to Europe. If so, there is no reason for asking Europe to scrap the old league and try a new one. If we are going into Europe we ought to go in.

"If we are not, we ought not to be handing her a new league every ninety days. She will likely conclude that after the next presidential election she would have another league. I see no difference whatever between joining the present league and joining a new league by another name.

"The United States operates under a written constitution. Great Britain has no written constitution. One of the ar-

guments being put forth now in favor of the Association of Nations is that Mr. Wilson made a mistake in giving his plan a written constitution and that we should adopt the British idea and undertake to conduct the league or association without any written constitution or any written covenant.

"In other words, the new association will consist of representatives of different governments coming together with no limitation upon their jurisdiction or power or authority other than their own discretion. A conclave of diplomats sitting behind closed doors with nothing to direct or limit their powers save their own will and discretion would be a rather interesting proposition.

"I am inclined to think that if the American people choose a league they will choose one which has its powers defined, or at least an attempt to define them, rather than trust their destiny to the unbridled discretion of a few men.

"Lloyd George suggested some time ago, according to the press dispatches, that the Anglo-Japanese alliance be extended to an Anglo-American-Japanese alliance, and that this alliance take upon itself the duty of administering China. Now it is said that such an alliance would be wholly objectionable to the American people, but that under an Association of Nations the same thing could be effectuated and accomplished.

"It is also being urged that while the people of the United States would not be willing to form an alliance with France or Great Britain to guarantee the security of France, the same thing could be accomplished under an Association of Nations without any constitution.

Irish Recognition Urged On Harding

President Turns Down Suggestion; Crisis Reported In London

[By United Press] LONDON, Dec. 5.—The Irish crisis, resulting from Sinn Fein rejection of the latest British proposal, was taken to King George this morning, who conferred for more than an hour with Lloyd George. Later the Irish delegates met with the British representatives in what is believed to be the final showdown.

Not for Harding
[By United Press] WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—President Harding will refuse to receive delegations urging recognition of Ireland for the present, he replied this morning to Senator Pomerene, who urged an interview with the president for the Irish agitators. President Harding said he considered the request inopportune.

More Proposals Offered

[By United Press] LONDON, Dec. 5.—The Irish peace delegates have received from the British government a new set of peace proposals to which they will reply tonight.

Arbuckle Jury Fails to Agree

[By United Press] SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 5.—With the manslaughter charge still hanging over him, Roscoe Arbuckle today faced the federal commissioner on the Volstead charges. The manslaughter jury reported a continued disagreement yesterday and was discharged. The grand jury will probe the statement of Mrs. Hubbard, one of the jurors, that an attempt was made to force her to vote for acquittal. She declared this morning: "I believed Arbuckle to be guilty. I believed the major portion of the testimony proved it, and before God I did my duty as I saw it. When I held out so many hours all the other jurors gave me the third degree, but it did no good." District Attorney Brady indicated he would issue a statement later.

Packing Employees Out In Many Plants

[By United Press] CHICAGO, Dec. 5.—The strike of unionized packing plant employees in protest against wage cuts and refusal of employers to recognize the unions became only partly effective today. In Chicago the Big Five claimed to be operating 95 per cent normal. In Omaha, Kansas City, St. Paul, Denver, East St. Louis and Sioux City the percentage varied, the largest being 70 per cent cut in the number of employees working.

Important Bills Are Presented to Congress

[By United Press] WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—Representative Mott, stating that the country is now prepared to repay its debt to the world war veterans, today introduced a resolution providing for a bonus for world war veterans. Mott urged the money be raised by a 1 per cent sales tax.

Wet Bill Appears

[By United Press] WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—A bill liberalizing the federal prohibition amendment by allowing each congressional district to vote next fall on the question of beer and light wines was introduced this afternoon by Representative Hill of Maryland.

RETURNS SLOW ON LABOR QUESTIONNAIRES

Frank Ingram, commissioner of labor who sent out a questionnaire over the state relative to employment, wages and conditions, reports that returns are decidedly slow coming in.

A few facts are being revealed as the answers come in. Ranch laborers are working at practically pre-war prices. The cut in wages has been over 50 per cent in the past year and the average wage is in the neighborhood of \$50 per month as against \$100 but a short time ago.

It is indicated that some of the crafts will show a substantial decrease in prices, including wages and materials.

Commissioner Ingram is urging all employers and others who have received the questionnaires to hurry them along.

APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

Many applications for the position made vacant on the tax commission by the resignation of Frank Lockman are being received by the governor.

No appointment has yet been made. The Appeal is mailed to your post-office address at 75 cents a month.

Grand Theater

—ANNOUNCEMENTS—

MONDAY, December 5th

Last showing of "Heliotrope"—10 and 30 cents.

TUESDAY, December 6th

Ethel Clayton in "A City Sparrow." A Paramount picture supported by Walter Hiers and an excellent cast, from the story by Kate Jordan. Also a Mack Sennett comedy—10 and 30 cents.

WEDNESDAY, December 7th

Maurice Tourneur presents "Deep Waters." An all star cast. A fighting romance of New England's stormy coast. With hearts aflame and stout souls tested in hazards of the sea. A Paramount picture. Barton Holmes Travel Pictures and Paramount Magazine—10 and 30 cents.